

Spotlight on Beaufort County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the Southern area of the state
- Surrounded by Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper Counties and the Atlantic Ocean
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 66.3 degrees and experiences 48.97 inches of precipitation annually

Population

- Equaled approximately 125,212 in 2001
- Comprised of 70.7% white and 29.3% nonwhite
- Median age was 35.8 years old
- Estimated to grow to 130,700 by 2005

Labor Force

- Increased from 53,970 in 2001 to 55,580 on 2002
- Unemployment increased from 2.6% in 2001 to 2.8% in 2002

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the County was 54,040 in 2002

Per Capita Income

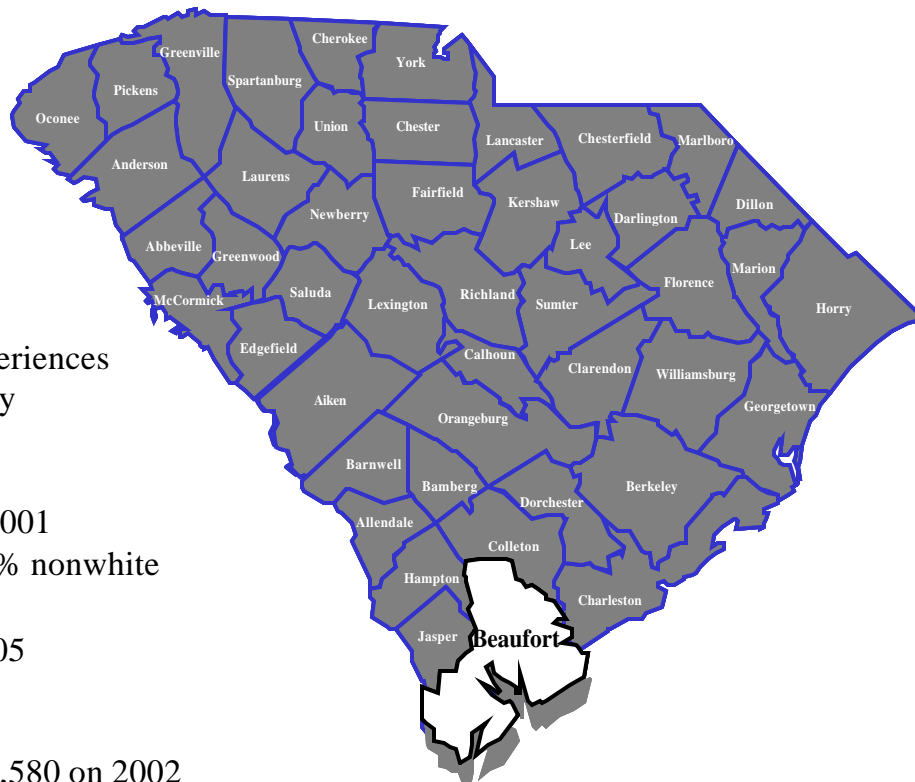
- Per capita income for the County was \$33,943 in 2001
- It was 137% of the state's PCI of \$24,840

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Beaufort Workforce Center paid a total of \$5,977,878 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2002.

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